

After discussion, on motion of Dr. J. Cheston Morris, the matter was referred to the Council of the Society.

And the Society was adjourned by the Presiding Member.

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*Stated Meeting, February 17, 1893.*

Dr. J. CHESTON MORRIS in the Chair.

Correspondence was submitted as follows:

A letter from the Société Impériale de Minéralogique, St. Petersburg, announcing the death of its Director, Hon. Nicolas Kokcharow; also the death of its member, Hon. Axel Gadoline.

A letter from the I. R. Accademia degli Agiati, Rovereto, Austria, announcing the death of its member, Prof. D. Giuseppe Pedessalli.

A circular from Columbia College, New York, announcing the regulations for 1893 concerning the Loubat Prize.

A circular from the Bureau of Education, Washington, D. C., in regard to the Educational Exhibit of the World's Columbian Exposition.

Letters of envoy were received from the Geological Survey of India, Calcutta; Royal Statistical Society, Meteorological Office, London, Eng.; Mr. William John Potts, Camden, N. J.; Treasury Department, Washington, D. C.

Letters of acknowledgment (139) were received from the Nova Scotia Institute of Science, Halifax; Geological Survey, Dr. Alfred R. C. Selwyn, Ottawa, Canada; Hon. J. M. Le Moine, Quebec, Canada; Canadian Institute, Toronto; Manitoba Historical and Scientific Society, Winnipeg; Society of Natural History, Portland, Me.; N. H. Historical Society, Concord; Dartmouth College, Hanover, N. H.; Amherst College Library, Amherst, Mass.; State Library of Massachusetts, Public Library of Boston, Massachusetts Historical Society, Boston Society of Natural History, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Prof. Thomas M. Drown, Messrs. S. P. Sharples, Robert C. Winthrop, Boston, Mass.; Museum of Comparative

Zoölogy, Mr. Robert N. Toppan, Cambridge, Mass.; Free Public Library, New Bedford, Mass.; Essex Institute, Salem, Mass.; American Antiquarian Society, Worcester, Mass.; Profs. O. C. Marsh, Hubert A. Newton, W. D. Whitney, New Haven, Conn.; Albany Institute, Prof. James Hall, Albany, N. Y.; Society of Natural Science, Buffalo, N. Y.; Prof. Edward North, Clinton, N. Y.; Profs. B. G. Wilder, J. M. Hart, Ithaca, N. Y.; American Museum of Natural History, N. Y. Mathematical Society, Astor Library, New York Hospital, Historical Society, Prof. J. J. Stevenson, Messrs. R. S. Hayes, R. W. Raymond, New York; Vassar Brothers Institute, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.; Oneida Historical Society, Utica, N. Y.; U. S. Military Academy, West Point, N. Y.; Prof. Henry M. Baird, Yonkers, N. Y.; Free Public Library, Jersey City, N. J.

Accessions to the Library were reported from the Geological Survey of India, Calcutta; Asiatic Society of Japan, Tokyo; K. Danske Geografiske Selskab, Copenhagen; État Indépendant du Congo, Bruxelles, Belgium; Société Hongroise de Géographie, Budapest; Naturforschende Gesellschaft, Freiburg i. B.; Université de Lyon, France; Messrs. Bela de Gonda, Paul Topinard, Paris, France; Académie R. des Sciences de Lisbonne, Commission des Travaux Géologiques de Portugal, Lisbon; R. Statistical Society, Meteorological Council, Dr. Henry Calderwood, London, Eng.; Philosophical Society, Glasgow, Scotland; Theological Seminary, Andover, Mass.; Brown University, Providence, R. I.; University of the State of New York, Albany; American Chemical Society, Astor Library, American Museum of Natural History, New York; Academy of Natural Sciences, Mercantile Library, Historical Society of Pennsylvania, Wagner Free Institute, Messrs. Abraham Jordan, Benjamin Smith Lyman, Henry Phillips, Jr., Philadelphia, Pa.; Enoch Pratt Free Library, Editor of *Journal of Philology*, Baltimore, Md.; Treasury Department, Lighthouse Board, Dr. Albert S. Gatschet, Washington, D. C.; University of California, Sacramento; State University of Iowa, Iowa City; Historical Society of the State of Montana, Helena; Agricultural Experiment Stations, Burlington, Vt., Amherst, Mass., Des Moines, Ia.

Dr. Charles S. Dolley read a paper on "The Thyrsus of Dionysos and the Palm Inflorescence of the Winged Figures of Assyrian Monuments."

This being the regular evening for balloting for candidates for membership, pending nominations Nos. 1235, 1251, 1252 and 1254 were read, spoken to and voted upon.

New nominations Nos. 1255 and 1256 were read.

Pending nomination No. 1249 was referred to Council.

Pending nominations Nos. 1250 and 1253 were postponed until May 19, in consequence of the absence of the proposers.

The Proceedings of the Board of Officers and Council were submitted, and under the call of New Business, were taken up and considered.

On motion, the resolution of Council suggesting the withdrawal of the deposits of the Society was made the special order for March 17.

The following preambles and resolution, offered by Dr. Rothrock, were adopted by the Society:

*Whereas*, The forests of Pennsylvania, which are of such vast importance to the future prosperity of the State, are being removed, and no serious attempt is being made towards their restoration; and,

*Whereas*, The problem growing out of this condition of affairs is a complicated one, for the solution of which, by wise legislation, sufficient information is not available; therefore, be it

*Resolved*, The American Philosophical Society respectfully requests the members of the Senate and House of Representatives to vote in favor of a bill entitled "An Act Relative to a Forestry Commission," which has been introduced into the House of Representatives of Pennsylvania by the Hon. D. Smith Talbot, of Chester county.

The ballots cast for candidates for membership having been counted, the Tellers reported the result to the Presiding Member, who declared the following gentlemen to have been duly elected members of the Society:

2210. M. Hippolite Taine, Menthone, Haute Savoie, France.

2211. Charles Schæffer, M.D., Philadelphia.

2212. Prof. George Lincoln Goodale, Cambridge, Mass.

2213. Hon. Robert E. Pattison, Harrisburg, Pa.

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